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(C) On March 20, emboff delivered reftel points to Department of Foreign Affairs Middle East and North Africa Section Deputy Director Stephen Dawson. Dawson said Ireland agrees with the USG points on the Syrian regime's crackdown on civil society, but lacking representation in Damascus, the GOI will defer to the EU presidency to address the matter on Ireland's behalf.

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